1	2	3	4
146.	Vanuatu	—	17/07/01(Ac)
147.	Venezuela	—	18/02/05(Ac)
148.	Viet Nam	03/12/98	25/09/02 (R)
149.	Yemen	—	25/09/04(Ac)
150.	Zambia	05/08/98	—
	TOTAL:	84	144

* Indicates an Annex I Party to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Factories affecting the quality of water in metro cities

1895. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:
SHRI RAJU PARMAR:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are fully aware of the fact that a large number of factories have affected the quality of water in the metropolitan cities;

(b) whether it is fact that water in many metropolitan and capital cities has been unpotable due to affluents discharged by these factories; and

(c) if so, the steps Government have taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) to (c) The industries discharging waste water have been identfied by the State Pollution Control Boards/Pollution Control Committee. These industries have been directed by the concerned State Pollution Control Board/Pollution Control Committee to set-up requisite pollution control measures. The effluent discharge standards have been stipulated for these industries and concerned State Pollution Control Boards/Pollution Control Committees have directed these units to set up requisite pollution control equipments. In case of non-compliance necessary legal actions are initiated as per provisions of various environmental Acts.